

REMARKS

This is in response to the Final Office Action of July 20, 2010. With this amendment, claims 9 and 21 are amended, claims 22, 24 and 28 are canceled; new claims 29-31 are added; and all pending claims 9-13 and 21, 23, 25-27 and 29-31 are presented for reconsideration and favorable action. This amendment is filed in connection with a Request for Continued Examination.

In the Office Action, claims 2 -23 and 28 were rejected under 35 USC § 103 based upon Wilk US6643124 in view of Narayanswamy US 6144358. Claims 9-13 and 15-17 were rejected based upon Wilk in view of Disanto US5508720 and further in view of Narayanswamy US6144358. Claim 24 was rejected based upon Wilk in view of Miyashita US6327482. It is believed that the amended claims are patentably distinct from these references.

The purpose of the present invention is to display one large screen by using at least two displays. To accomplish the above purpose, the present invention provides a substantial design structure.

That is to say, the displays employed in the present invention have the following features:

- There is a joint portion in which the displays are disposed adjacent to each other (see figure 26).
- The displays are divided into a display panel and a driving part, and the display panel is disposed closer to the joint portion of panel housings; (see figure 26)
- A frame for mounting the display panel and the driving part is equipped, and there exists a display module including the display panel, the driving part, and the frame. (see figure 28a and 28b).
- When the displays constitute a module, a joint portion also exists in the module, and the display panel is disposed closer to the joint portion of the module (see figure 26).
- A sidewall of the panel housing covers the side of the displays in the joint portion (see figure 26), or a protecting member covers the side of the displays, and the protecting member is mounted on the panel housing (see figure 27).
- Therefore, when the displays are spread and adjacent to each other, the sidewall of the

panel housing or the protecting member exists between the adjacent displays.

- When the panel housings are folded, a sub display is mounted on the outside of a display device of the present invention, and a central processing unit (CPU) can select the driving actions of the two displays and the sub display (see figures 4 and 6).

In addition, a key input part is further comprised on the panel housing, and the key input part is configured to be located in the middle of the displays when the panel housings are spread (see figures 21b, 24b and 25b).

Further, as another embodiment of the present invention, when the panel housings are folded, the displays are positioned on the outer side (see figures 24a and 25a).

However, the cited references do not include the features of the present invention.

That is to say, each of the cited references have the following features:

- Wilk US 6643124

The Wilk reference also describes two screens, folding and unfolding structures, and a key input part. However, the reference does not describe a structure of displaying one large screen by using at least two displays.

- Narayanswamy US 614448

The Narayanswamy reference discloses a method for displaying one large screen by employing two screens (see Figure 4).

However, the reference does not describe a real structure of making two displays close to each other like mentioned in the present invention. For example, in the reference, displays are not distinguished from display panels, and a display module and an apparatus having the display panels and driving parts are not shown in the reference.

Further, the reference does not describe a detailed design for a sidewall of the panel housings or a protecting member for protecting the side of the displays.

Besides, a method for selecting and driving the displays is not described, and the feature of the protecting member for covering the side of the displays is not disclosed in the reference.

- Disanto US 5508720

Although the Disanto reference discloses a method for displaying a screen by assembling

displays, it does not describe any specific method for displaying one screen by using two screens like mentioned in the feature of the present invention, only describing a key input part which is sliding.

Consequently, the cited references do not provide a direct and substantial structure for making the displays adjacent to each other like stated in the claimed invention. Therefore, it is considered that the present invention is novel and involves an inventive step.

However, in order to more clearly resolve the objection indicated by the Examiner, claims of the present invention have been examined again. Thus, further amendments are submitted with this response.

It is believed that all of the pending claims have been addressed. However, the absence of a reply to a specific rejection, issue, or comment, including the Office Action's characterizations of the art, does not signify agreement with or concession of that rejection, issue, or comment. In addition, because the arguments made above may not be exhaustive, there may be reasons for patentability of any or all pending claims (or other claims) that have not been expressed. Finally, nothing in this paper should be construed as an intent to concede any issue with regard to any claim, except as specifically stated in this paper, and the amendment or cancellation of any claim does not necessarily signify concession of unpatentability of the claim prior to its amendment or cancellation. Applicant reserves the right to prosecute the rejection claims in further prosecution of this or related applications.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that the present application is in condition for allowance. Consideration and favorable action are respectfully requested.

The Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1123.

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